

**PLAINTIFF’S REPLY IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO PARTIALLY
STRIKE THE TESTIMONY OF DEFENDANT JOEL BABB’S
EXPERT GARY D. HASTON**

EXHIBIT E

Babb Deposition Supplement

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

ALEK SCHOTT,
Plaintiff,

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VS.

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JOEL BABB, in his individual
and official capacity;
MARTIN A. MOLINA III, in his
individual and official
capacity; JAVIER SALAZAR, in
his individual and official
capacity; and BEXAR COUNTY,
TEXAS,
Defendants.

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CIVIL ACTION NO.
5:23-cv-00706-OLG-RBF

ORAL DEPOSITION OF
JOEL BABB
JULY 15, 2024

ORAL DEPOSITION of JOEL BABB, produced as a
witness at the instance of the Plaintiff(s), and duly
sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered cause
on July 15, 2024, from 9:22 a.m. to 5:19 p.m., before
Molly Carter, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and for the
State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the Law
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1 you drive your vehicle; is that correct?

2 A Yes, ma'am.

3 Q Then you turn on your lights; is that also
4 correct?

5 A Yes, ma'am.

6 Q So that's the kind of the timeline of events?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Okay. Before we get much further, help me
9 understand Kiki.

10 A Okay.

11 Q Do you know Kiki -- did you know Kiki's real
12 name?

13 A No. I believe that might be his name. I've
14 heard him called that numerous times. Again, he's just
15 the, the Fusion Center guy on that, the WhatsApp.

16 Q Sure.

17 A I don't know him.

18 Q And had you ever met Kiki before?

19 A If I had -- I may have, but I don't know. And
20 the reason I say that is I've been on so many operations,
21 when we hit those houses I'm talking about with the
22 different units, a lot of guys from -- I've been in
23 meetings where there's just tons of people talking, but I
24 don't -- like, again, me and these people aren't, we're
25 not close.

1 Q Sure.

2 A It was business.

3 Q Yeah. And you would say like that this is an
4 important conversation, right?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And you're trying to be really precise --

7 A Yes.

8 Q -- in this conversation. Is that fair?

9 A Yes. Are you talking about the conversation --

10 Q That we're having, you and I, right now.

11 A I'm trying to be, yes.

12 Q Yeah. So I'm just trying to get a sense of
13 that. So you could have met Mr. Kiki, Kiki, at some
14 point, but you can't say for certain yes or no; is that
15 correct?

16 A That is correct.

17 Q And you don't want to be making a mistake.

18 A No. Because the only thing I can tell you --
19 and the reason I'm sounding so vague is because one thing
20 I do know about Kiki when I hear him on the phone, he had
21 a very thick Hispanic accent, and his voice sounded
22 familiar to me, but I don't know if it's from a -- I
23 just -- I remember when I was talking to him thinking in
24 my head like his voice sounded familiar.

25 Q And that's okay. And like you don't --

1 essentially, if I can give you a snapshot, you don't want
2 it to come out later that you had actually met Kiki at
3 some point and then be accused of lying. Is that fair?

4 A Absolutely.

5 Q Right. And so you're just, you know, being,
6 you know, careful about your words, not committing to
7 anything because you just don't want to make a mistake.

8 MR. LEAKE: Objection, form.

9 A I do not know if I've met him.

10 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Yeah.

11 A I can't answer that question, because I
12 didn't -- what I'm saying is I haven't shaken anybody's
13 hand and said, "Hi, how are you doing? I'm Joel." "Hi,
14 how are you doing? I'm Kiki." So that's why --

15 Q No, I totally understand.

16 A -- I just recognize his voice, ma'am.

17 Q I totally understand. And so you're just --
18 you can't say yes, you can't say no, because you want to
19 be 100 percent correct.

20 A Yes, ma'am.

21 Q So do you know if Kiki was a law enforcement
22 officer?

23 A If he works at a Fusion Center, yes --

24 Q Okay.

25 A -- he should be. He's either that or Border

1 Patrol or -- if I understand correctly, because I've
2 never been in one, a Fusion Center actually consists of
3 federal and law enforcement type units. There's DEA
4 guys, Homeland Security, and it's -- from what I
5 understand, it's everybody in those buildings.

6 Q Sure. And you had never been to the Laredo
7 Fusion Center?

8 A No, ma'am.

9 Q Could the Laredo Fusion Center have private
10 individuals who work there?

11 A Possibly. Again, I don't know what the layout
12 is. I just know it's one of our bases of people that we
13 do get for missions, a lot of information from.

14 Q Sure. And you couldn't pick Mr. Kiki out in
15 like a line of people. You wouldn't know who he was if
16 there was like a lineup?

17 A No, ma'am, not off of face. Like I said, it
18 was the voice that sounds familiar when I talk to him.

19 Q Sure. And how many times would you say you had
20 spoken to Mr. Kiki? I'm going to call him Mr. Kiki
21 because I feel like that's respectful.

22 A Yeah.

23 Q But if not, let me know. How many times had
24 you spoken to Mr. Kiki?

25 A Just that day. Just that day. I don't think

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION
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I, MOLLY CARTER, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and for The State of Texas, hereby certify to the following:

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9 Further, I am not a relative or employee of any attorney
10 of record in this cause, nor do I have a financial
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